



Things Everyone Should Know about the Pre-Application for TIGER II Planning Grants and Community Challenge Planning Grants

- 1. Are the pre-applications for the HUD Community Challenge Grant Program and the DOT Tiger II grant program the same?**
The pre-application process is the same for both grant programs. The pre-application is titled under Tiger II, but Community Challenge applicants are required to pre-apply the same way.
- 2. For Field # 25 it asks for the Total Amount Requested from Tiger II funds, what if I am a Community Challenge applicant?**
Community Challenge applicants will answer this based on how much they are requesting. The funds the applicant is asking for applies to both planning grant programs.
- 3. For Field # 49 Federal Wage Rate Certificate, I am unsure of whether my project is applicable so what should I put?**
Community Challenge applicants must answer this question yes or no. Although, it is intended more for construction projects it still must be answered by Community Challenge applicants. In order to continue through the rest of the application an applicant must select "yes" that they have required certification.
- 4. For Field # 51 NEPA Status, I feel that my project does not apply.**
Community Challenge applicants must answer this question. It is a required field. If your project does not involve a NEPA review then click "NEPA complete." For Field # 52 add a brief explanation that you are applying for the Community Challenge Planning grant.
- 5. Do all Community Challenge applicants need 20 % in leveraged resources?**
Yes even rural areas need 20 % in leveraged resources for the Community Challenge planning grant in order to be considered eligible. Transportation planning projects receiving Tiger II funds do not require leveraged resources but do require a 20 % non-federal cash match unless the applicant is from a rural area.
- 6. I am unsure of whether I will be able to pre-apply in time.**
It will take at least one business day to receive your user name and password. Upon completing the "New User Registration" you will receive your user name and password. For this reason, you need to register by July 23rd to ensure that you would receive your password in time to submit the pre-application by July 26th.

The TIGER II Discretionary Grant Program/HUD Community Challenge Planning Grant Program pre-application process will close at 5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday, July 26, 2010. The pre-application instructions provided on the TIGER II website (www.dot.gov/recovery/ost/tigerii) asked interested parties to register for access to the pre-application system by 5:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, July 16, 2010.

If any interested parties have not yet registered for access or submitted a pre-application, they should do so as soon as possible. We strongly encourage potential applicants to register by 5:00 p.m. EDT on Thursday, July 22, to provide as much time as possible on Friday, July 23, to resolve any problems that are encountered before the system closes. DOT and HUD are responding to a

high level of late requests for registration, and will continue to respond to these requests in the order in which they are received, until 5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday July 26, 2010. Further guidance is available in the pre-application instructions provided on the TIGER II website (www.dot.gov/recovery/ost/tigerii).

For further information concerning the TIGER II Discretionary Grant Program/HUD Community Challenge Planning Grant Program, please contact the TIGER II Discretionary Grant program manager via e-mail at TIGERIIGrants@dot.gov, or call Robert Mariner at 202-366-8914.